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The Tolls Debate.

Mr. McPherson is right. The time has not come when the Senate debate on the canal tolls question should end. Surely the debate is justifying itself. Even Mr. Kern admits it has been "stimulating." Then it will continue. For while the illumination holds out to burn, the most obstinate free toller may turn.

Mr. Wilson—always impatient—wanted the Senate to act as promptly as the House had done. Had his wishes been carried out, the Senate would have had to roll call.

In that event we should certainly have missed much. All the speeches made have been worth while, and some have had more attention than ordinarily the Senate bestows. They have dealt with all phases of the subject: Treaty rights, the economical question, the binding character of party platforms, the national honor, all have been discussed by men fully competent to handle them.

Then some very interesting suggestions about compromise have been submitted. Mr. Sumners has produced a proposition which while regarded by anti-tollers as "loaded" has yet the attraction of a mystery. If anything, what does it mean? If nothing, why was it offered? Why not have left the question of repeal precisely where the President had placed it?

The Vardaman proposition is very much to the point. And now that it has been offered why not discuss it thoroughly? Its author is to elaborate his contention, and he may strike fire in others. Mediation, arbitration, what you will, is dwelt upon by both the President and Mr. Bryan in other matters. Why not in this matter? Why should the President stand pat on unconditional repeal of the tolls law, on the score that it violates national honor and interferes with his handling of diplomatic questions of greater moment, when many of his party friends differ with him on the point, and insist on either more information from him or the creation of a tribunal for clearing up the whole business?

Moreover, has not the situation as respects this matter changed in the past six days? When the President addressed the House on the subject his embarrassment as to Mexico were acute. Interventions were on foot, and the talk in circles supporting the President was that before crossing the Rio Grande—which was our Rubicon—we should reach an understanding with Great Britain about the Panama canal. The Mexican question is in the hands of mediators and our consent. We have not crossed the Rio Grande. We are ashore at Vera Cruz, but in camp and inactive. As the President is taking his time as to Mexico, why should not the Senate take its time as to tolls? What is the hurry as to tolls repeal now?

Dismissal of Veterans.

The plan of certain of the active friends of the Grand Army veterans to fight the recent dismissals of such men from their employment in the executive departments at Washington on the ground of advancing years is a plan that should be pressed to a conclusion. A test case should make clear the rights of these veterans of the national military and naval service under the law of August 2, 1902, intended to protect the tenure of office of old soldiers and sailors whose record for civil work is good. The republic has admitted and acknowledged its gratitude in many ways to the men who shouldered muskets for the preservation of the Union when its existence was threatened and for a long time in doubt. The government should deal fairly, kindly, and with marked consideration toward these men, especially in view of the fact that they are growing older and becoming fewer. The present trouble again strongly emphasizes the need of a pension retirement system, to the end that when civil employees become old they shall be in a measure independent and shall not be cast aside because they cannot maintain the pace set by younger men, or because the temporary help of an executive department or bureau thinks that they do not maintain such pace.

There is nothing to prevent a constructive man who is in favor of all summer from following the President's example and putting up a tent in his back yard.

Humors to the effect that George W. Perkins is to be offered his old position of contributing business manager are now current.

Mr. Mellen has at least made it clear that the president of a railroad is not necessarily the man who is boring the enterprise.

Without any wish to grieve "General" Coxe, it must be admitted that Butch McDevitt made a more spectacular showing.

It must occur to Huerta that a minority can eventually become too small even to filibuster.

A New York gunman never goes quite so far as to put in a "didn't-know-it-was-loaded" plea.

Col. Roosevelt never did seem to care much whether he was popular with Columbia or not.

Potomac Camps.

Is subject matter for a good deal of quiet reflection on the capital's aquatic, riverside and rural possibilities. Camping on the upper Potomac, as well as on the lower Potomac, has come to be the summer habit of a constantly enlarging number of Washington people. One has but to note the lines of camps lengthening every year along the rocky and tree-grown margins of the river

from a point not far above the Aqueduct bridge to an uncertain distance west. Here and there these camps have become permanent habitations—homes where people dwell while all the twelve months pass. In summer these camps, many of which are considerable colonies of people, stowed away among the trees and rocks, by the side of the rushing water, are gay pictures. This camping has become a feature of the Washington summer and is becoming a more conspicuous feature with each succeeding summer. There are not many Washingtonians who at one time or another have not visited friends at these camps, and the freedom, health and economy of the camp scheme make converts every year. Most of these campers cannot afford extended vacations at a boarding place in the mountains or at the seashore. They cannot spend the spring, summer and autumn months away from work. So, when the sun gets high and the flowers bloom and the fish bite they pitch their tents or open up their rustic homes in these upstream camps, using the trolley to and from their daily labor. The wife and children live close to nature. It is an idea that has great promise in it. If one is not too full of pride and can be happy in a humble cot there are few city people who cannot afford a summer home in the country. Up to the present it is the rocky, foaming reaches of the Potomac that have made the strongest appeal to summer campers, but the plan would work as well among the hills, with their woods and hills far back from the river.

Mr. Wilson and Pennsylvania.

Will Mr. Wilson speak for Mr. Palmer in Pennsylvania next fall? Mr. Roosevelt will speak for Mr. Pinchot, and undoubtedly any republican leader should concede that that party's candidate for President in 1916 he would speak for Mr. Penrose.

Mr. Palmer is a Wilson man through and through. He was a Wilson boomer at Baltimore, and later figured in the speculation about the cabinet. For a time he was the favorite "guess" for Attorney General.

On the tariff question last year he supported the Wilson program, though in doing so he was challenging a policy that had made Pennsylvania great, and was still strong with the voters there. He voted against protection in every schedule of the Underwood bill raising the issue.

He stood with Mr. Wilson on currency revision, and the repeal of the canal tolls exemption law. He sided with Mr. Wilson as against the voters there, and the Baltimore platform on tolls.

He will follow Mr. Wilson on the trust question, soon to come to a vote in the House, and on all other matters that may occupy attention before adjournment. In a word, Mr. Palmer recognizes Mr. Wilson as the leader of the democratic party, and as such follows him. He has not as yet opposed him in anything.

For this reason Mr. Wilson is greatly interested in Mr. Palmer's success. He wants him in the Senate, feeling assured that in Senator Palmer he would have the same loyal friend he has found in Representative Palmer. On the stump in Pennsylvania Mr. Wilson would be a striking figure, challenging the opposition all along the line. He would give to the Palmer vote a distinction it could not otherwise hope for. Great crowds would hear him, and maybe an enormous turn-out at the polls of all parties be promoted. He would help stir the state to the center.

It is hardly likely that Mr. Palmer would have entered the race except for the continuation of the bull moose movement. His hope is that in the way Mr. Wilson became President he may become senator—marching through a divided opposition to the office.

Mr. Palmer as senator through the active aid thus of his chief would be a tall feather in Mr. Wilson's cap. To have gone in person into the greatest stronghold of protection, and have carried it against protection in favor of a candidate who had had the courage of free trade votes in votes in the House for a bill designed to discredit and weaken protection, would be something for Mr. Wilson to remember with un-mixed satisfaction. Will the plunger plunge in Pennsylvania?

Revenue Cutters to the Rescue.

The revenue cutter has been prominent in the news during the past few days. It was the Seneca which picked up the missing third lifeboat of the steamship Columbia, which was destroyed by fire in midatlantic. The Seneca found this boat, with its five survivors of the sixteen men who escaped in it, after hope for the men had been abandoned and the disaster had nearly faded from public memory. It has been reported that this lifeboat had drifted far out of the steamer's path, and the message which the Seneca flashed by wireless to Halifax thrilled the country. In the news of yesterday it was announced that the revenue cutter Apache had left Baltimore to give aid to a vessel ashore near the mouth of the Potomac river. The revenue cutter Onondaga had already gone to the assistance of the stranded craft, but could not get close enough inshore to pull her off. The Senate recently enacted a bill for the enlargement and improvement of the equipment of this active and distinguished branch of the national service—a branch the record of which for useful and heroic deeds is a brilliant one.

The House of Representatives naturally feels that its members should not be detailed in such a manner as to prevent their helping with the Fourth of July oratory out home.

It may be Senator Root's private opinion that active campaigning in New York politics is no occupation for a man who sincerely loves peace.

T. R.'s lecture on geography will be a mild expression compared to some of the lectures he used to deliver in this city.

Coxey.

The entry of "Gen." Coxey into Washington differed from his invasion of the capital in 1904. In that year there was an "army" of considerable numbers, and there was a great deal of excitement. It represented a form of agitation not so familiar then as now, and during the intervening twenty years the country has witnessed so much agitation of a very strenuous kind that a Coxey demonstration, even of the former proportions, might appear tame. Interest in the march has not been active, either on the part of the employed or the unemployed. The procession today, with a drum, bugle, three national flags carried in the column of half a dozen veterans, and the familiar horse and buggy with the "general," was a weak and thin demonstration compared with the host or horde directed twenty years ago by Coxey and under the direct command of Marshal Carl Browne. The people on the sidewalks scarcely paused to look at the "army" as it passed.

The performance felt for short of the promise. Early in the spring Coxey announced that "On April 16, my sixtieth birthday, we start the second march from Massillon, arriving in Washington May

21, to demand from Congress the passage of three measures." These Coxey measures are: First, an act of Congress to issue legal tender money and establish a federal bank in every community to loan the money on real estate and chattel property at its assessed value, at a 2 per cent tax instead of interest; second, an act of Congress to issue legal tender money and to permit communities to issue non-interest bonds, borrow money on them from the United States Treasury, hire the unemployed in road building and other public works; for purchase and supply of other public needs, and to repay such loans without interest in twenty-five annual installments; and third, an act of Congress to issue legal tender money to buy the railroads, pipe lines, telegraphs and telephones at their physical values and operate them at cost.

Coxey, in "His Own Story of the Commonwealth," says of the first march to Washington: "On arrival at Washington Mr. Coxey called upon the Vice President and Speaker of the House and requested permission to hold a meeting on the Capitol steps, which request, while not granted, was not denied. Promptly on time, May 1, at 12 m., the commonwealth reached the Capitol, being greeted on the line of march and at the Capitol by the largest concourse of people ever assembled there. Police interference prevented the army from reaching the Capitol steps, but by a strategic movement Mr. Coxey reached the steps only to be confronted by a lieutenant of police, who forbade him to speak from the Capitol steps."

On this occasion it was well to permit "Gen." Coxey to deliver his oration from the steps. It did no harm, and it did any good to "Gen." Coxey and to those who heard him—why, all's well that ends well.

Occasionally a detective is compelled to feel that it would have been better to let the dictagraph do all the work.

SHOOTING STARS.

BY PHILANDER JOHNSON.

All Generals.

"There's one thing I like about those Mexican generals," said Col. Stilwell, "and that's their enterprise."

"In what line?"

"Official distinction. You scarcely hear of a man telling himself he is known as 'Judge' or 'Major.' When a Mexican takes a title he picks a good one."

Tactless Truth.

"I shall speak the exact truth to everybody at all times," said the severe person.

"Don't," replied Miss Cayenne. "You'll become just about as popular as a thermometer on a hot day."

Ancient Perils.

In classic days the soldier's ways ran to thin clothes that must amaze! Oh, warrior bold, in days of old how did you keep from taking cold?

Overheard at the Wharf.

"Whah is dis new river an' what boats runs on it?"

"Dar ain' no boats runnin' on it. Dat river were put dar jes' for 'scavery purposes."

A Handicap Approved.

"Your daughter is rather near-sighted," said the doctor.

"Well," replied Mr. Growcher, "I don't know as she will run it as an advantage when she gets old enough to want everything she sees."

Almost June.

"'Tis almost June!" the robin sings. The wildflower flower its perfume flings Across the path where snowdrifts lay In times not yet so long ago. As the humming insect lightly flies Where waters shine like rippling skies And nature sings the lazy tune In accents soft, "'Tis almost June!"

Though Maytime is a season rare And misty April's days are fair, From time to time through them will fall An echo of rude March's call. But as the softer skies disclose The salutation of the rose At midday and beneath the moon The chorus sounds, "'Tis almost June!"

Passing of Old Houses.

From the Boston Transcript.

Riders and walkers through the New England countryside and villages learn to look for the venerable houses, many of them centuries twice over, which not only distinguish this region, but fit into its landscapes with a suitability which newer buildings somehow lack. As this interest grows, the observer begins to notice that they are all too rapidly disappearing to give place to modern houses which are certainly no improvement in workmanship and architectural design, and not necessarily superior in comfort and convenience if the old houses are properly handled. In losing these ancient buildings we are losing not only parcels of history; we are losing quite as much a dignified and fitting style of domestic architecture as is all the more effective by being severely plain.

Coxey—Twenty Years After.

From the Philadelphia Inquirer.

Barnum's assertion that the American people love to be humbugged may have a basis of truth, but it does not always hold good. The proof that the multitude cannot always be hoodwinked is furnished in the utter lack of interest taken in the advent of "General" Jacob Coxey and his "army" into the city of Washington. It goes to prove that agitators, who flatter the people, find it mighty hard to "come back."

The New Haven Mystery.

From the New York World.

Charles S. Mellen, former president of the New Haven, has been telling on the witness stand the most sordid story of corporate corruption that the country has heard since the life insurance investigation.

In Indiana.

From the Indianapolis News.

The persistence with which certain republicans press the title of the vitality of the progressive party makes one suspect that the party itself might forget its own vitality if it were not constantly reminded of it.

It's a Canal for Freight.

From the Springfield Republican.

A string of freight barges is about as prosaic an opening for the Panama canal as could well have been contrived.

Adornment.

From the Chicago News.

We learn from an article in the Daily News that "women are to adorn Lincoln highway." Naturally, do not the dears adorn any spot they occupy?

Lingering Elimination.

From the Philadelphia Press.

Well, it really does begin to look as if Huerta's last legs wouldn't last much longer.

Day of Reckoning.

From the Birmingham Ledger.

Mexico may stave off the clean-up day that is due her, but it is coming.

You can easily see that the young lad, just putting on his first suit with long trousers ought to have clothes suitable to his age and size.

Our designers see that quite clearly; and they plan the clothes accordingly. We make a special line for these young fellows; called "Prep" clothes.

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Dr. Andrew Wilson

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BEECHAM'S PILLS
Sold everywhere. In boxes, 10c, 25c.

Friday's Bargain Offering.
Net Corsets for 50c

Just the nicest kind of corset for hot weather wear. Made of strong net reinforced with coutil to give strength, low bust fitted with strong hose supporters, and made on the new lines. All sizes, and the price only 50c.

Brassieres, of cross-barred cambric trimmed with good embroidery; 39c value. Special 25c Friday only at.....
Main Floor—Bargain Tables.

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Can be worn either as an apron or dress. These Bungalow Apron Dresses are made of gingham in solid colors or stripes, offered in all sizes, and priced at 75c.

Cool Lawn Dressing Scaques for morning wear, in pretty rosebud designs, made with belt. Special Friday on main floor. 29c bargain tables.

FRIDAY BARGAIN TABLES

Includes Merchandise Required in Getting Ready for Summer and at Prices That Are Startlingly Low. Read Every Item.

Friday's Bargain Offerings—
Lingerie Waists for 44c
That Are Well Worth \$1
The only reason these waists are marked down to 44c is because they are mused and soiled from handling and we have not all sizes in any one style.
Materials are lawn, voiles and crepes; mostly low neck; many with collars edged in lace or embroidery; at least 20 styles to choose from, and all at the one low price—44c—Friday.
Main Floor—Bargain Tables.

Dress Waists, consisting of chiffons, tulle and meshings; desirable colors and styles—only about 25 left, and to close them, out tomorrow—the reduced price is **\$1.45**
Second Floor—Waist Section.

White Chip Hats
Worth \$1 and \$1.50 for **79c**
Here's an offering extraordinary for Friday. We offer the popular Chip Untrimmed Hats in six of the best shapes of the season—choice of white, black or burnt at the extremely low price of 79c. This low price is named to see how many untrimmed shapes we can sell in a day.
You undoubtedly intend having a new white or black hat—why not buy tomorrow and save considerable of your purchase money? and have a Second Floor—Millinery Section.

Friday's Bargain Offerings—
NECKWEAR
Pleatings, in white, cream and black, of net, chiffon or shadow lace; lengths 1 to 2 yards and widths 1 1/2 inches up to 12 inches for vestings.
Were 15c to 75c Yd. Now 10c to 50c Yd.
Muslin Neckwear, including Jabots, Stocks and Dutch Collars, in many different styles. 25c values. To close Friday, choice 25c for choice.
Main Floor—Bargain Tables.

Friday's Bargain Offerings—
WASH GOODS
Lawn, Dotted Swiss and Voiles, 21 inches wide; mostly black-and-white effects. Worth 15c to 25c. CUT FROM FULL PRICES, FRIDAY AT A YD. 5c
Lengths of Wash Goods, including Batings, Lawns, Ginghams, Dimities, Crepes and Foulards, in white and colors; all good lengths, and values up to 15c a yd. CHOICE FRIDAY, A YD. 9c
Wash Goods.

Friday's Bargain Offerings—
KNIT UNDERWEAR
Women's Swiss Ribbed Vests, taped neck and sleeves. 10c regularly. Friday's Sale price only 7c
Women's Vests and Pants, vests high neck and short sleeves; pants, ribbed, and knee length; small sizes; also Knee-length Tights included. 25c regularly. Friday's Sale price only 15c
Children's White Cotton Vests, high neck, long or short sleeves; broken sizes. Values up to 25c. Friday at 12 1/2c
Main Floor—Knit Underwear.

Friday's Bargain Offerings—
Krinkle and Ripple 95c
Silk Crepes at a yd., 95c
Values, \$1.50.
Silk Crepes are much in evidence this season for the making of frocks, and we offer today choice panel quantities in Krinkle Crepe and Ripple Crepe at 95c a yard.
These Silks are 40 in. wide and offered in a wide range of the new shades, also black.
How many yards will YOU have? Main Floor—8th St. Rotunda—Silks.

Summer Home Needs

Put the house now in summer attire. Here are the needful priced within reach of the most slender purses:

Walnut-finish Screen Doors, filled with good quality black wire, 4-inch stiles; complete with fixtures. Friday only 89c
Continental Hardwood Window Screens, with best wood slides; 24 inches high, opens to 33 inches, or 24 inches high, opens to 37 inches; Choice tomorrow at 25c. Friday, 22c.
Natural-finish Bamboo Porch Shades, in following sizes:
6 ft. wide, 8 ft. long for 79c.
8 ft. wide, 8 ft. long for 95c.
10 ft. wide, 8 ft. long for \$1.25.
Stenciled Jap Matting Rugs; size 9x12 feet, in oriental, floral and medallion designs, in blue, pink, green and red combinations; 3c value. Friday's sale price \$1.95
Stenciled Jap Rugs, in a large showing of attractive designs and colors; size 6x9 feet; \$1.50 value. Friday only \$1.19
Stenciled Jap Rugs; size 3x6 feet. Friday only 37c
Stenciled Jap Rugs; size 27x34 inches. Friday only 15c
Linen Couch Covers; 50 inches wide; fringed all around in pretty colored stripes; \$1 value. Friday only 79c
Tatami Cross Stripe Curtains, in cool-looking greens, as well as other colors; neatly fringed at bottom. Friday a pair 89c
Ruffled Swiss Curtains, 3 and 5 tucks side and bottom; also with flat edge hemmed; good window drapery for sunshade; 75c value. Friday only, a pair 55c
Fourth Floor.

MEN'S WEAR

Some more savings for men to profit by on Friday:

Washable Tubular Four-in-hand; white grounds with neat panel stripes. 25c value. Friday at 8 1/2c
Silk Plaid Madras Athletic Underwear; nearly all sizes; 50c value. Special tomorrow at 29c
Gauze Line-ribbed White Athletic Shirts; all sizes; 19c value. Friday only at 11c
Gauze Line Hat Bands, in black and all colors; 19c value. Friday's sale price, a pair 11c
Halterneck Underwear; short-sleeve shirts and ankle-length pants; 35c value. Special Friday, a garment 24c
Silk and Linen Tubular Wash Ties; four-in-hand style, choice panel effects; 55c value. Special Friday at 18c
Checked Nainsook Athletic Shirts and knee pants; odd sizes only. Values up to 35c. Choice Friday, a garment 17c
Genuine Poroknit Undershirts; short sleeves; nearly all sizes. Friday only, a garment 23c
Shirts with pure silk bosoms and cuffs; look like the \$5 kind and wear better; easily worn \$1.29. Friday only 98c
Checked Nainsook Athletic Undershirts; full cut and easy-fitting; all sizes; 60c value. Friday only at 39c
Poroknit Undershirts; short sleeves and knee length; \$1 value. Friday's sale price only 59c
Direct Street Entrance to Men's Wear Section.

Friday's Bargain Offerings.
Infants' Wearables

Girls' Bungalow Aprons; made like mother's; of blue-and-white check gingham; piped in white; strap back; sizes 2 to 8 years. Special Friday at 25c
Tot's Gingham Dresses, in blue and white checks; of blue-and-white madras dresses, yoke style; sizes 1, 2 and 3 years. Special Friday at 29c
Children's White Wash Hats; corded brim, button crown. Special value tomorrow only. Third Floor—Children's Apparel.

Friday's Bargain Offering.
Sunbonnets & Beach Hats, 22c

Women have been asking for these, so tomorrow we specialize Sunbonnets and Beach Hats for women. Stamped Centers and Made of neat figured or striped percale, also plain colors and white. Only 25c for choice. Third Floor—House Dresses.

Friday's Bargain Offerings—
Stamped Pieces, 10c

Now for a grand clean-up Friday of all the accumulated odd pieces in articles stamped for embroidery. Included are Stamped Pillow Tops, Stamped Collars, Stamped Pin Cushions, 16-in. Stamped Centers and Stamped Aprons, excellent designs, and to close Friday 10c. Main Floor—Bargain Tables.

Friday's Bargain Offerings—
Boys' Wear

Boys' Play Suits, choice of cowboy, base ball and Indian; all sizes. \$1.50 values. Friday, choice 98c
Boys' Necktie Shirts, white only; collars attached; sizes 12 to 14. Special Friday, for 60c. Each 35c
Boys' Wash Pants, in khaki, tan and white, and blue duck. Friday only at 47c
Third Floor—Boys' Wear.

Friday's Bargain Offerings—
Hosiery

Cotton Hosiery; black only; for women or children; odds and ends. Friday, to close, a pair 10c
Women's Silk Lisle Hosiery, in black, white